



Indoor Air Quality Tools for Schools Program

Indoor Air Quality (IAQ)

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News and Events

- The **National Conference on Education**, hosted by the American Association of School Administrators (AASA), will be held February 19-21, 2009, in San Francisco, CA. AASA will offer more than 14 hours of economic-impact related sessions designed to help you operate the best public school system possible under strained economic circumstances. [Register](#) by January 31, 2009, to receive the discounted registration rate.
- **Webinar Materials Available.** The *IAQ TFS* Framework and Connector—Engaging Leaders for Enduring Program Success Webinar was held January 22, 2009. Participants learned how the *IAQ TFS* Framework can help develop, enhance, and sustain healthy learning environments in their school districts. In addition, participants discovered new opportunities to interact with their IAQ management peers through the **IAQ TFS Connector**, featuring the **new** Schools IAQ Connector Listserve. This presentation is now available to download on the [Webinar page](#) of EPA's Web site.
- **View and print current IAQ publications** from EPA's *IAQ TFS* Web site, or [order copies of the materials at no cost](#) from EPA's National Service Center for Environmental Publications by phone at 1-800-490-9198 or fax at 301-604-3408 or online at www.epa.gov/nscep.

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Putting Leadership into Action: The IAQ Tools for Schools Connector

At the *IAQ Tools for Schools (IAQ TFS)* National Symposium held in December, more than 400 IAQ champions learned proven strategies for effective IAQ management and how to use them to take immediate action to improve their school environments. Attendees left the [Symposium](#) with [leadership plans](#) in hand ready to advance their IAQ management programs as soon as they returned home. Through the *IAQ TFS* Connector, you can connect with Symposium attendees and learn with them throughout the year as they put their leadership plans into action in their schools.

The *IAQ TFS* Connector is the central communication hub for the *IAQ TFS* Program. It is a platform that links schools committed to IAQ improvement together and gives them an easy way to get assistance and support as they build and sustain effective IAQ management programs. The Connector links to innovative communication tools and provides quick access to a network of schools active in IAQ management. Use the Connector to find other leaders you can work with and to access technical expertise and resources to make school IAQ management easier and more effective.

The *IAQ TFS* Connector provides access to fresh ideas and strategies for IAQ management, experienced school IAQ leaders in your community, and the inspiration you need to **put your leadership into action** to deliver great environmental results at your school!

Spread the word! Let others know about all that the Connector has to offer by [forwarding](#) this Update to your peers in the IAQ community. By sharing the *IAQ TFS* Connector with others, you are helping to create more IAQ champions!

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Plugging into the National IAQ TFS Network

- **IAQ TFS Web site.** This informative [Web site](#) houses valuable guidance, tools, and resources to help you build and sustain successful IAQ management programs. Access information on the *IAQ TFS* National Symposium, the Envisioning Excellence suite of guidance materials, and the National Awards Program, which includes the [state-by-state map of award winners](#) to help you find an experienced school IAQ leader close-by!
- **Webinars.** Webinars are great ways to hear from leading experts and outstanding school IAQ programs without leaving your desk. Come discuss the latest IAQ management science and

pressing questions about making school IAQ programs work. [EPA's Webinar page](#) has links to archived Webinars and a schedule of upcoming events.

- **Updates and E-mails**. The Updates convey the latest scientific information on creating healthy school environments, and alert you to news and events in the IAQ community. **Invite your friends!** They can subscribe by sending a message to IAQTfSConnector@cadmusgroup.com with "subscribe" in the subject line.
- **Listserve**. The Schools IAQ Connector Listserve makes it easy to **drive the conversation** about IAQ management by **connecting directly** with your peers to share information and communicate over e-mail and on the Web. **Join the listserve today** by sending a blank e-mail message to schools_iaq_connector-subscribe@lists.epa.gov. Then, check your e-mail inbox for your confirmation and membership details.

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Have Your Questions Answered!

Is there a topic you want to see covered in an *IAQ TFS* Update? Need more information or have a quick question? Do you have suggestions for a Webinar, an Update feature, or are simply curious about an IAQ topic and would like more information? If so, send us an e-mail at IAQTfSConnector@cadmusgroup.com.

Share YOUR news and events! Send us information to share with the school IAQ community. It could be featured in the next Update. E-mail your news to IAQTfSConnector@cadmusgroup.com.

The *IAQ TFS* Program is a comprehensive resource to help schools maintain a healthy environment in school buildings by identifying, correcting, and preventing IAQ problems. Learn more about the *IAQ TFS* Program at www.epa.gov/iaq/schools.

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